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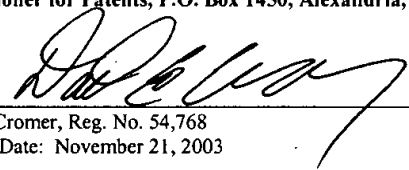
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In re Application)	<u>PATENT APPLICATION</u>
Inventors: Raje, et al.)	
Application No.: 09/632,494)	Art Unit: 2825
Filed Date: August 3, 2000)	Examiner: Levin, Naum B.
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR)	Customer No.: 28554
GENERATING SIGN-OFF PROTOTYPES)	
FOR THE DESIGN AND FABRICATION)	
OF INTEGRATED CIRCUITS)	

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This RESPONSE C is in reply to the Office Action mailed September 25, 2003.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this RESPONSE.

REMARKS begin on page 12 of this RESPONSE.